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Application No.: 10/738,386  
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Applicant: Michael D. Blenkarn  
Title: Pre-Curved Wader With Front and Back Seams  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO**  
**FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows:

**Claims:**

*Please cancel claims 1-6.*

*Please amend claim 7 as follows:*

7. A wader comprising a leg portion with a front seam and a back seam, wherein the wader is made of a breathable fabric, and wherein the leg portion is pre-curved to fit the shape of a flexed knee by elongating the front seam through the knee and shortening the seam in the back of the knee.

7. A wader comprising a leg portion and a hip-waist portion with front and back seams, wherein the wader is made of a breathable fabric, and wherein the leg portion is pre-curved to fit the shape of a flexed knee by elongating the front seam through the knee and shortening the seam in the back of the knee.

*Please cancel claims 8-11.*